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**AMPLIFICATIONS** 

### **AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants have carefully considered the Office Action mailed June 16, 2003, in connection with the above-captioned patent application. Applicants kindly request reconsideration of the claims in light of the remarks that follow. Filed herewith is a Fee Transmittal Sheet.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.

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Sir:

The fee required to be filed with the accompanying amendment of even date herewith concerning the above-identified application has been estimated to be \$660.00.

The claim amendment fee has been estimated as shown below:

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☐ FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM					TOTAL	\$		OR	TOTAL	\$	660.00

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Respectfully submitted,

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